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Changes are coming for riders along the Ambaum-Delridge corridor through Southwest Seattle to downtown Seattle. King County Metro Transit is revising its network of bus routes for Delridge, White Center, Burien, and neighboring areas in order to speed service to and from downtown Seattle.

Metro Transit worked with residents, bus riders, and a sounding board made up of area riders to develop these service changes. **Since Metro's public open houses in January/February, numerous changes have been made to the original proposals in response to public comments.**

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Help is available

Look for the *Special Rider Alert* brochure and new orange timetables on your bus and at Metro information racks, work sites, and libraries on September 16.

You can get general information now about the service changes by calling Metro Transit Rider Information.

You can get specific trip planning help from Rider Information after September 8.

Rider Information

Telephone..... 206-553-3000
 Toll-free..... 800-542-7876
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Special Rider Alert brochure and timetables available Sept. 16

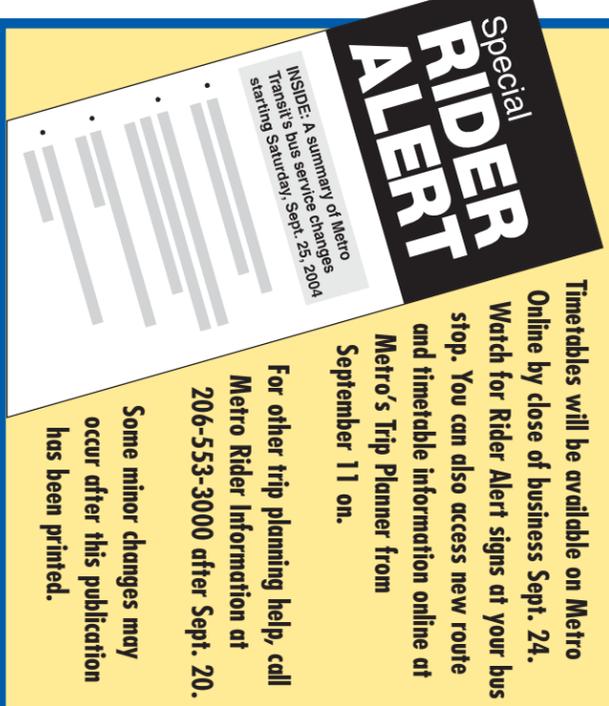
Look for a special Rider Alert brochure and new orange timetables on your bus and at Metro information racks, work sites and libraries beginning Sept. 16. The special Rider Alert will be available on Metro Online at <http://transit.metrokc.gov/>

Timetables will be available on Metro Online by close of business Sept. 24.

Watch for Rider Alert signs at your bus stop. You can also access new route and timetable information online at Metro's Trip Planner from September 11 on.

For other trip planning help, call Metro Rider Information at 206-553-3000 after Sept. 20.

Some minor changes may occur after this publication has been printed.



New Ambaum-Delridge Route 120
 Starting September 25th, new Route 120 will serve the Ambaum-Delridge corridor with a single bus route offering 15-minute or better weekday service till 7 p.m., Metro's newest low-floor air-conditioned articulated buses, longer hours of operation till 2:15 a.m., and improved bus stop facilities.

New Route 125: Improved service to South Seattle Community College
 Ride Metro's new Route 125 for improved service to South Seattle Community College, 16th Avenue SW, and Shorewood, running more often during peak hours and on Sunday and providing a new direct connection to Seattle Central Community College.

Details inside!

The service revisions, approved by the King County Executive and County Council on May 17, 2004, take effect on Saturday, September 25, 2004. Please see inside this newsletter for details on these service changes.

Alternative Formats Available

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Other transit changes coming

Besides the changes described in this publication, September service changes are also planned for the Rainier Valley-Broadway corridor. These changes will affect routes 7-Local, 7-Express, 9, 39-Local, 39-Express, and 124.



2004 changes in the Ambaum-Delridge corridor

New Route 120 in the Ambaum-Delridge corridor

New Route 120 will replace portions of existing routes 20, 135, 136, and 136-Express in the Ambaum-Delridge corridor with a single, frequent, all-day connection. Service will operate between the Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride, White Center, Delridge, and downtown Seattle by way of the Alaskan Way Viaduct, and will be 5 to 8 minutes faster than the current Route 135. The faster time is achieved through routing changes and bus stop consolidation. On weekdays, Route 120 will run more frequently—at least every 15 minutes until about 7 p.m. The last trip on Route 120 will leave downtown Seattle every morning at 2:15 a.m. Route 120 will be operated with Metro's newest low-floor, air-conditioned articulated buses.

Hours of operation

Weekdays approximately 5 a.m. – 2:15 a.m., weekends approximately 6 a.m. – 2:15 a.m.

Frequency of service:

Weekdays: Every 7 to 15 minutes during peak hours; every 15 minutes between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.; every 30 minutes between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.; every 60 minutes between 10 p.m. and midnight; and early morning trips at about 1:15 a.m. and 2:15 a.m.

Weekends: Every 30 minutes until 10 p.m.; every 60 minutes between 10 p.m. and midnight; and early morning trips at about 1:15 a.m. and 2:15 a.m.

New Route 125 between Shorewood, White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle

New Route 125 will replace portions of existing routes 20 and 135 between Shorewood, White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle. Route 125 will operate via Chelan Avenue SW, SW Spokane Street, and the Alaskan Way Viaduct. During weekday peak hours, Route 125 will operate between White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle only, but service will operate every 15 minutes in both directions. (From approximately 3:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. on weekdays, Route 113 will provide service between Shorewood and White Center, where frequent

connections can be made with routes 120 and 125.) On Sundays, service between Shorewood and downtown Seattle will increase during the day to every 30 minutes instead of the current 60 minutes. Route 125 trips will continue in downtown Seattle as Route 11 to Madison Park, providing a direct connection between South Seattle Community College and Seattle Central Community College.

Hours of operation

Weekdays approximately 5 a.m. to 11:45 p.m., weekends approximately 6 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Frequency of service

Weekdays between White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle: Every 30 minutes from start of service until about 6:15 a.m.; every 15 minutes in both directions between about 6:15 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.; and every 15 minutes in both directions between about 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Weekdays between Shorewood, White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle:

Every 30 minutes between about 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.; every 30 minutes between about 7 p.m. and 10:45 p.m.; and every 60 minutes after 10:45 p.m.

Saturday between Shorewood, White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle:

Every 30 minutes between about 6 a.m. and 9:30 p.m.; and every 60 minutes after 9:30 p.m.

Sunday between Shorewood, White Center, South Seattle Community College, and downtown Seattle: Every 60 minutes between about 6:30 a.m. and

9:30 a.m.; every 30 minutes between about 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and every 60 minutes after 7:30 p.m.

New Route 23 between White Center, Highland Park, and downtown Seattle

New Route 23 will replace existing routes 136 and 137 between White Center, Highland Park, and downtown Seattle. Route 23 trips will start and end at 15th Avenue SW and SW 106th Street, near the Albertson's grocery store. In the SODO area, Route 23 will operate on Fourth Avenue South.

Hours of operation

Weekdays approximately 5:15 a.m. – 1 a.m.; Weekends approximately 5:45 a.m. – 1 a.m.

Frequency of service

Every 30 minutes between start of service and about 10 p.m., and every 60 minutes between 10 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Route 113 will operate in the peak direction only

Route 113 will be revised to operate northbound to Seattle during weekday morning peak hours, and southbound to Shorewood during weekday afternoon peak hours. New routes 121 and 122 will provide replacement service along East Marginal Way South on weekdays.

Hours of operation

Five morning and five afternoon trips will be operated.

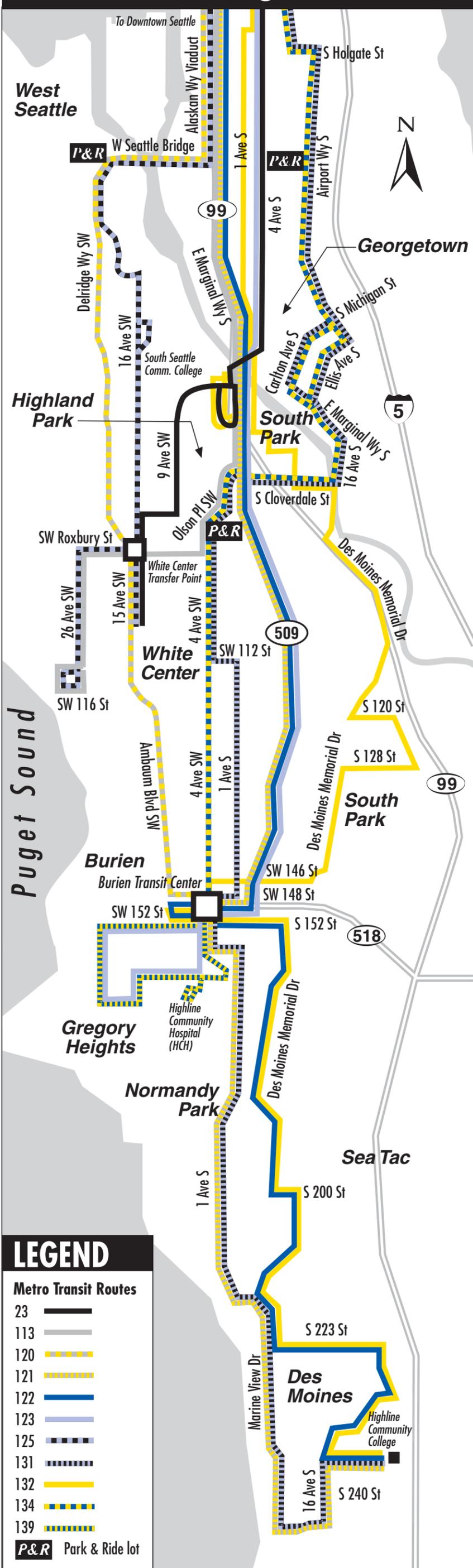
Frequency of service

About every 30 minutes during weekday peak hours.

New routes 121 and 122 will provide SR-509 express services between Des Moines, Normandy Park, Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride and downtown Seattle

The existing Route 130-Express will be renumbered as new Route 121, and existing Route 132-Express will be renumbered as new Route 122. The number of peak trips between Des Moines, Burien, and downtown Seattle will remain the same, but some trip times will be revised for better spacing between trips. Peak-hour service will operate between about 5 a.m. and 9 a.m., and between about 3 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. Between Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride and downtown Seattle during peak hours, express service will operate in both directions. Between Burien and Seattle, Metro will operate a total of 13 midday trips from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. During the midday hours, the last morning northbound trip to downtown Seattle will leave the Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride at about 10:30 a.m., and the first afternoon southbound trip will leave downtown Seattle about 12:20 p.m.

Ambaum/Delridge



Changes in route numbers

- The following route numbers will be discontinued and service replaced as described below: **Routes 20, 130, 130-Express, 132-Express, 135, 136, 136-Express, 137, 137-Express.**
- The following table shows replacement services:

If you currently ride this route	Ride these routes instead, starting September 25th	Notes
20	120, 125	New Rt 120 replaces Rt 20 between downtown Seattle and White Center; new Rt 125 replaces Route 20 between White Center and Shorewood.
113	Revised 113, 121, 122	Service will operate in the peak direction only. For additional service along E Marginal Way S, ride Route 121 or 122.
130	131	Service will no longer operate between First Ave S/SW 112 St and Olson-Myers P&R.
130-Express	121	Peak service will operate in both directions; midday and reverse peak (AM southbound and PM northbound) trips will operate only between Burien and Seattle.
132	Revised 132	Routing in SODO will operate via Atlantic St. instead of Main St.
132-Express	122	Service will operate during weekday peak hours and in the peak direction only (northbound in the morning, southbound in the afternoon).
135	120, 125	New Rt 120 replaces Rt 135 between White Center and Burien; new Route 125 replaces Route 135 between downtown Seattle, South Seattle Community College, and White Center.
136	23, 120	New Rt 23 replaces Rt 136 between downtown Seattle, Highland Park, and White Center; new Rt 120 replaces Rt 136 between White Center and Burien. Rt 139 will start earlier, around 4:45 a.m., to replace early morning trips on Route 136 between Gregory Heights and the Burien Transit Center/P&R.
136-Express	120, 123, 139	New Rt 120 will replace Rt 136-Express between Burien and White Center. New Rt 123 will replace Rt 136-Express between Gregory Heights and Burien Transit Center/P&R. Rt 139 will start earlier, around 4:45 a.m. to replace early morning trips on Route 136-Express between Gregory Heights and Burien Transit Center/P&R.
137	23, 123, 134, 139	New Rt 23 replaces Rt 137 between downtown Seattle, Highland Park, and White Center; new Rt 123 replaces Rt 137 and Rt 137-Express between Gregory Heights and downtown Seattle via the Burien Transit Center/P&R and SR-509. New Rt 134 replaces Rt 137 between Burien Transit Center/P&R and Park Lake (4 Av SW/SW Roxbury St). Rt 139 will start earlier, around 4:45 a.m., to replace early morning trips on Route 137 between Gregory Heights and Burien Transit Center/P&R.
137-Express	123, 139	New Rt 123 replaces Rt 137-Express between Gregory Heights, Burien Transit Center/P&R, SODO, and downtown Seattle. Rt 139 will start earlier, around 4:45 a.m., to replace early morning trips on Route 137-Express between Gregory Heights and Burien Transit Center/P&R.

New Route 123 and earlier service on Route 139 in the Gregory Heights neighborhood of Burien

Existing peak service in Gregory Heights on routes 136, 136-Express, 137, and 137-Express will be replaced by new Route 123 and earlier service on Route 139. Route 123 will operate in a counter-clockwise loop with five northbound morning trips and five afternoon southbound trips at times similar to the existing Route 137-Express. Routing will be revised to operate on Fourth Avenue South through the SODO area in both directions, and a new stop will be added at Fourth and Lander. Hours of operation on Route 139 will be expanded to start at around 4:45 a.m. on weekdays, and trip times will be coordinated with new routes 120, 121, and 122 at the Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride.

New Route 131 between Des Moines, the Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride, Park Lake, South Park, Georgetown, and downtown Seattle

Service on portions of existing routes 130 and 137 will be consolidated into new Route 131, providing local service between Des Moines, Burien, and downtown Seattle. Route 131 will operate via First Avenue South, SW 112th Street, Fourth Avenue SW, and the Olson-Myers Park-and-Ride. (For service along Fourth Avenue SW between SW 112th and SW 148th streets, see new Route 134.) Service levels will be similar to those on the existing Route 130.

Hours of operation

Weekdays from about 5:40 a.m. to 12:20 a.m., weekends from about 6:30 a.m. to 12:20 a.m.

Frequency of service

Every 60 minutes weekdays and weekends.

New Route 134 between the Burien Transit Center/Park-and-Ride, Park Lake, South Park, Georgetown, and downtown Seattle

New Route 134 will operate weekdays only and will replace portions of existing Route 137 between Burien and Park Lake along Fourth Avenue SW. Route 134 will share a common routing with new Route 131 between downtown Seattle and Fourth Avenue SW & SW 112th Street. Trips on Route 134 will be scheduled to alternate arrival and departure times in downtown Seattle with trips on Route 131.

Hours of operation

Weekdays only between approximately 6:15 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Frequency of service

About every 60 minutes with six northbound trips from Burien to downtown Seattle between 6:15 a.m. and 10:25, and about every 60 minutes with six southbound trips from downtown Seattle to Burien between about 12:30 and 5:45 p.m.

Metro's Accessible Bus and Van Services

King County Metro Transit is committed to providing county residents and visitors with valued transportation services, and these extend to customers with special needs due to age or disabilities.

Metro provides Access Transportation paratransit service for qualified customers, and 100 percent of Metro buses are accessible. We offer accessible online trip planning for bus routes and a variety of accessible means to interact and use our services.

To learn more about our various programs and to find out if you are eligible, call Metro's Accessible Services office at 206-263-3113 (206-263-3116 for TTY users), during regular business hours. If you have to dial "1" first to reach those numbers, call 1-866-205-5001 or, for TTY users only, 1-877-749-4286. You can also find information visiting <http://transit.metrokc.gov/tops/accessible/accessible.html> on the Metro Online Web site.

Burien Highline Senior Shuttle

This service is provided in the Burien-Highline area for those age 55 or older or who are eligible for Metro's Access services. The shuttle operates Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The boundaries of the shuttle include the city of Burien and the unincorporated area up to the Seattle city limits. The eastern boundary is Hwy 99 to S 128th Street. For more information call 206-448-5740 or 800-282-5815. If you are interested in volunteering



as a shuttle driver, please call Senior Services at 206-727-6262 or the Burien Highline Senior Center at 206-244-3686.

Regional Reduced Fare Permit

Sometimes called a senior or disabled bus pass, this permit costs \$3.00 and entitles riders to discount fares on Metro Transit and other transportation systems in the region, including the Washington State Ferries.

Anyone who is age 65 or older qualifies for the permit. There are many other qualifications for those with disabilities or certain medical or physical conditions. It is best to contact Metro Transit directly to see if you qualify, and to learn what steps to take to receive your permit.

If you require personal assistance when riding, a Personal Care Attendant Regional Reduced Fare Permit is also available, allowing your personal care attendant to ride free.

Bus facility changes

King County Metro transit is making significant changes and improvements in facilities in the Delridge-Ambaum area and in Burien.

Bus stops: Metro has recently removed more than 20 stops along the affected routes to improve the speed of bus service. Improvements have begun at many bus stops with the installation of new shelters, benches, more trash cans, better lighting, safer crossings, and improved schedule information. These improvements will continue into 2005.

Adopt-A-Stop: Along with improving bus stops, Metro Transit is also seeking volunteers to help maintain the stops. In return for disposing of trash and picking up litter, volunteers receive ten round-trip bus tickets per month and free litter bags for the bus stop. To learn more about how individuals, businesses, or organizations can volunteer to "adopt" one or more unsheltered bus stops, call 206-263-6503, email adoptastop@metrokc.gov, or visit the "Programs" page at <http://transit.metrokc.gov>.

New Burien Transit Center:

King County Metro Transit and the City of Burien are working together to design and build a new off-street Burien Transit Center. The new facility would be located near the existing one, and the park-and-ride lot would remain next door. Metro Transit has convened a community advisory group to help review project plans and designs. A public open house to review project designs will be held in fall 2004.

